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Identical letters dated 23 November 2009 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I transmit to you herewith a statistical summary of Israeli violations committed from 1 to 15 November 2009 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the sixty-fourth session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 15, and of the Security Council.

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Annex to the identical letters dated 23 November 2009 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

Israeli violations, acts of aggression and other activities from 1 to 15 November 2009

Air violations

On 4 November 2009:

- Between 0710 and 1515 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over the sea off Naqurah. It circled over Beirut, its suburbs and the South before leaving over Naqurah;
- Between 0710 and 2115 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over the South before leaving over Rumaysh.

On 5 November 2009, between 0615 and 1520 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over the South before leaving over Naqurah.

On 6 November 2009:

- At 1018 hours, six Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa and proceeding north. They circled over the entire South before each leaving above Alma al-Sha'b, four of them at 1115 hours and two of them at 1145 hours;
- Between 0920 and 2115 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b and proceeding north. It circled over the South before leaving over Naqurah.

On 7 November 2009, between 0600 and 1810 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over the South before leaving over Naqurah.

On 8 November 2009:

- Between 0700 and 1505 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah and proceeding north. It circled over the South before leaving over Rumaysh;
- Between 0855 and 2130 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa, proceeding north as far as Nabatiyah. It circled over the South before leaving over Naqurah.

On 9 November 2009, between 0820 and 1905 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over the South before leaving over Naqurah.

On 10 November 2009:

- Between 1000 hours and 1515 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over the South and the Western Bekaa before leaving over Alma al-Sha'b;
- Between 1100 and 2115 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over the South before leaving over Rumaysh.

On 11 November 2009:

- Between 0600 hours and 1540 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah and proceeding north as far as Nabatiyah. It circled over the South before leaving over Naqurah;
- Between 0720 hours and 2120 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah and proceeding north as far as the Bekaa. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and the South before leaving over Naqurah;
- Between 1107 hours and 1205 hours, four Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over the sea off Tyre and proceeding towards Beirut. They circled over the entire South before leaving over Naqurah.

On 12 November 2009:

- Between 0935 hours and 0945 hours, two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over the sea off Damur and proceeding as far as the Shuf. They then returned towards the South and left over Alma al-Sha'b;
- Between 0952 hours and 1130 hours, two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Aytarun, proceeding north and circling over the entire South before leaving over Alma al-Sha'b.

On 14 November 2009, between 1535 and 1800 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa and proceeding north as far as Jazzin. It circled over the South before leaving over Naqurah.

On 15 November 2009, between 0705 and 1520 hours, an Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah and proceeding north as far as Jazzin. It circled over the South before leaving over Alma al-Sha'b.

Sea violations

On 8 November 2009, at 2320 hours, an Israeli enemy gunboat shone a searchlight into Lebanese territorial waters at buoy No. 2 for a period of ten seconds.

On 10 November 2009, at 1840 hours, an Israeli enemy gunboat shone a searchlight 200 metres into Lebanese territorial waters at buoy No. 3 for a period of five seconds.

On 12 November 2009, at 0430 hours, an Israeli enemy gunboat directed a searchlight from Ra's Naqurah 200 metres into Lebanese territorial waters at buoy No. 3 for a period of ten seconds.

On 14 November 2009, at 1840 hours, an Israeli enemy gunboat shone a searchlight 1,000 metres into Lebanese territorial waters at buoy No. 3 for a period of four seconds.

Land violations

On 3 November 2009, at 1445 hours, an Israeli patrol comprising a Toyota Land Cruiser came into view and stopped opposite the Fatimah Gate. The patrol members proceeded to photograph the area and the Lebanese army post, the guards and the Spanish patrol standing in front of the Gate, following which it left the scene.

On 4 November 2009, at 1000 hours, approximately 400 metres south of the Fatimah Gate in Kafr Killa, opposite the Lebanese army checkpoint, a member of an Israeli enemy patrol made a vulgar gesture at the checkpoint personnel.

On 8 November 2009:

- At 1910 hours, opposite Kafr Killa in the area of the Udaysah junction, an Israeli enemy patrol comprising three vehicles pointed a searchlight at a temporary roadblock and directed obscenities in Arabic at the roadblock personnel;
- At 2055 hours, at the technical fence on the side of the Occupied Territories, opposite the temporary Lebanese army roadblock at the Kafr Killa-Udaysah junction, the members of an Israeli enemy patrol comprising three high-mobility multipurpose wheeled vehicles (Humvees) and a Toyota Land Cruiser directed a searchlight at the roadblock personnel while shouting loudly in Hebrew. The patrol then left at 2108 hours.

On 15 November 2009, at 0015 hours from its position in the Zarit barracks, the Israeli enemy proceeded to shine a searchlight on the Lebanese army roadblock in Tarbikha for a period of seven seconds. It then repeated the exercise at 0430 hours for a period of 10 seconds.